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**EPA SCIENTIST ELECTED TO LEADERSHIP  
POSITION FOR SOCIETY OF TOXICOLOGY**

Dr. Linda S. Birnbaum, an internationally renowned EPA scientist, has been named vice president-elect of the Society of Toxicology, and through succession will serve as the association's president in two years. The Society of Toxicology, the largest international association of toxicologists with more than 5,000 members from nearly 50 different countries, contains members from academic institutions, industry and government. Birnbaum is believed to be the first EPA scientist to serve as an officer in the society.

Birnbaum has worked at EPA's Office of Research and Development since 1989 as Director of the Experimental Toxicology Division in the National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, located at Research Triangle Park, N.C. Prior to that, she worked at the National Institutes of Environmental Health Sciences and National Toxicology Program, also in Research Triangle Park, between 1979-89. She is an adjunct professor in the School of Public Health and Curriculum in Toxicology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Duke University's Integrated Toxicology Program. Birnbaum has published more than 260 peer-reviewed articles.

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